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- 25X1X6 1. Najm-al-Din Sa'ib, Intasarraf of Sulaymaniya, Iraq, submitted a report to the Ministry of Interior in Baghdad early in February 1949, in which he stated that recent measures, such as the arrests of Communists in Baghdad and the decree forbidding political organizations among the students, would have little effect on affairs in his liwa. He said that he had recently toured his area and had found that all sections of the populations, especially workers, peasants, and schoolmasters, were imbued with left-wing and nationalist ideas. In particular, the teachers in the lower salary brackets formed a fertile field for the spread of Communism. Sa'ib stated that he also feared that the spirit of violence recently displayed by the Iranian Tudeh Party might influence the Kurds in his liwa.
- 25X1X 2. [REDACTED] Ibrahim Ahmad, a lawyer of Sulaymaniya who formerly led the local branch of Hizb al-Watani Taharrur (National Liberation Movement), has transferred his allegiance to the Kurdish Democratic Party. He makes frequent visits to Baghdad where he contacts two lawyers, Habib Shabibi and 'Abd-al-'Aziz (other name unknown).
3. A three-page pamphlet produced by the al-Qa'ida press was distributed in Baghdad on 27 January 1949. Early in February Mulla Mustafa Qadir was arrested in Sulaymaniya in possession of three hundred of these pamphlets, and was brought to Baghdad for interrogation.
4. A typewritten pamphlet entitled Mirvi, and printed at Saqqiz in Iran, 47 miles southeast of Mahabad, has recently been distributed in Sulaymaniya. The pamphlet is described as left-wing and Kurdish nationalist.
5. Anin Yamulki, Qaimmaqam of Choarta, 14 miles northeast of Sulaymaniya, has been removed from his post. According to an informant of unknown reliability, Yamulki formerly held meetings in his house that were attended by members of the National Liberation Movement. Informant states that Yamulki has been attempting to persuade the aghas of the Pizhder tribe (which is in the Choarta area) to join the National Liberation Movement, but without success.

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